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SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION INTO DEATH OF AMBASSADOR DAVIES

1. WHEN I SAW ACTING PRESIDENT CLERIDES OCTOBER 15, I PASSED HIM BLOWN UP STILL PHOTOS FROM TELEVISION COVERAGE OF ATTACK ON EMBASSY WHICH RESULTED IN AMBASSADOR DAVIES' DEATH. THESE PHOTOS CLEARLY IDENTIFY AN OFFICIAL OF CYPRUS CID WEARING NATIONAL GUARD UNIFORM, CARRYING AN AUTOMATIC WEAPON STANDING AT OR VERY CLOSE TO LOCATION FROM WHICH FATAL SHOTS WERE FIRED, I.E. KILLER WAS EITHER THIS INDIVIDUAL, WHOM WE IDENTIFIED TO CLERIDES AS A RESULT OUR OWN LOCAL INQUIRY, OR SOMEONE STANDING VERY CLOSE TO HIM AND CERTAINLY IDENTIFIABLE BY HIM.

2. CLERIDES PROMISED TO FOLLOW UP AND ORDER INTERROGATION OF CID OFFICER. HIS TENTATIVE ESTIMATE WAS THAT OFFICER COULD AT LEAST BE CHARGED WITH FIRING AT EMBASSY. I URGED HIM FULLY PURSUE INVESTIGATION WHICH WE HAD REGRETFULLY NOTED LAGGING OF LATE. CRAWFORD

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